Meeting Record
LiLI Board
Statehouse Inn – Boise

September 18, 2000

Morning session - ILL and Z39.50 committee meetings

Afternoon session

Attendees: Paul Krause, Paul Holland, Joe Reiss, Dan Lester, Karen Ganske, Tom Olson, Ann Joslin, Rand Simmons, Frank Nelson, Ruth Funabiki, Tim Brown, Kay Flowers, Ron Force, Dawn Wittman, Carol Silvers, Sue Walker. Day two only: Marcia Beckwith.

Information Sharing

ICTL & Higher Education

> Karen Ganske is representing public libraries on the K-12 Idaho Council for Technology in Learning (ICTL). Ann Joslin is representing the State Library on the Higher Education Committee as is serving as its Chair.

> ICTL is revising the State Technology Plan for education; it will cover k-20. The Higher Education Committee is covering 13-20.

> Information in the university and colleges strategic plans may help us document need for our programs.

> The Idaho Technology Showcase – a commercial venture -- will be held December 12-13; sponsors are giving higher education institutions free floor space in exchange for Higher Education providing programs such as distance learning and digital apartheid.

>> Possibility of having speakers from LiLI Board was discussed. ISL want to demonstrate LiLI databases. [Editor's note: we were not offered exhibit floor space.]

> IDANet (statewide telecomm network) RFP responses will be evaluated soon. Higher education will have 3 people on the evaluation team; SBOE staff sees the need for an oversight committee once the contract is in place. [Editor's note: 2 responses were received and neither met the specs, so no contract has been awarded.]

LSTA

> The CIN, VALNet, and INLAN consortia will request LSTA funds to purchase Endeavor Voyager. The database will contain about 1.7 million items. As with the INLAN arrangement, the server will be housed at Gonzaga University and staff of the new consortium will be located there also. The new consortium is WIN – Washington Idaho Network.

> ISL is looking into concerns about awarding LSTA grants to a private, religious institution (Gonzaga) and into pre-authorizing INLAN (of which Gonzaga is a part) as a consortia applicant for future grants.

Fretwell – Downing/VDX

Matt Goldman and Don Chvatal of Fretwell-Downing demonstrated VDX (Virtual Document Exchange). Southeastern NY Library Resources Council is implementing the system and there are new contracts in Colorado (1500 libraries) and Ohio (5300 libraries public and school libraries).

VDX provides an interlibrary loan management system with such features as a patron database. It will do cross-domain searching including GILS and will seamlessly search both Z39.50 servers and web servers (i.e., Z39.50 and web-based catalogs). It should be able to search telnet catalogs.

VDX is bundled with a virtual catalog.

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Z39.50 Committee report was given

Ruth Funabiki replaces Max Leek as chair.
Dan Lester attended as a representative from ITTF. He also attended the full-board meetings.

The LiLI-Z virtual catalog will be demonstrated at the networking session of the Idaho Library Association annual conference.

Virtual catalog is functioning well enough to be demonstrated at ILA. An important function of LiLI-Z is as a source of cataloging data for small libraries. There will be a link to the virtual catalog from the LiLI home page, explained as a work in progress. There is no reason to withhold LiLI-Z from Idaho libraries as long as we identify it as a work in progress. ICTL will be informed about progress of the virtual catalog.

ILL Committee Report

The Reciprocal Borrowing in Idaho (RBI) was presented and discussed.
The RBI will be presented during the networking session at the annual conference of the Idaho Library Association.

Fretwell–Downing cont.

Discussion continued regarding the Fretwell-Downing VDX demonstration. ISU and BSU libraries are looking at ILL software solutions. The possibility of pooling money of those libraries contemplating purchasing a similar software package to purchase a state system was discussed.

The Board asked ITTF to do further investigation as to what underlying systems are used in New York, Ohio and Colorado, cost numbers, implementation issues, how well it will work on Idaho servers versus a canned demonstration. What else is out there?

GILS

Carol Silvers presented her work on the GILS project.

Meetings were held at each university. Depository librarians plus reference, catalogers, and other attended. A meeting of State web masters regarding Meta tagging will be held September 28.

GILS is part of State Library's Strategic Plan. There is a SFY2002 budget request for $50,000 for software and technical support

Carol's report follows:

GILS Status Report to LiLI Board
By Carol Silvers, September 19, 2000

Ongoing research:
Very active area of development
New GILS (Government Information Locator Service) announced every few months
North Carolina just signed on with Blue Angel
Still much variation in approach, but more movement toward library standards
Urgency to get started vs. waiting until options are clearer

Meetings with Depository librarians:
Series of meetings held on university campuses in June 2000
Invited representatives of all depository libraries, plus UI Law Library
Represented specialties of government documents, cataloging, reference, automation, and archiving - diverse perspectives
Looked at contrast between Texas and Washington systems
Excellent participation - gathered valuable information; set general direction
Strong support for library-based standards: Dublin Core, Z39.50, subject control
More interest in archiving than expected
Some volunteers to work on further development

Meeting with state agency webmasters to be held September 28
About 40 scheduled to attend
Will fill in background on GILS and get their reactions to the idea of metadata standards

Other stakeholders:
Have met individually with representatives of:
ITRMC (Information Technology Resource Management Council) project team
Dept of Administration - historically responsible for state web site
Access Idaho - private contractor currently managing state web site
State Board of Education's Nancy Szofran
State Archivist - Steve Walker
Seems to be a high level of interest and support

Current status:
GILS project is incorporated into State Library's strategic plan
GILS budget item is in FY2002 request: $50,000 for software and technical support
GILS is seen as part of LiLI - depository librarians support this idea
Some capacity on LiLI servers to experiment with search software
GILS project will likely need its own steering committee, with representatives from all stakeholder groups mentioned so far, plus three branches of government, records management, news media, local government, possibly others.

Advocacy

Anne Abrams presented ideas for advocating for the LiLI Network and for promoting the LiLI-Z Virtual Catalog.

Agenda Items - Next Meetings

♦ Replacement of board members. The first appointments end June 30, 2001. How should we replace board members? Where should membership come from? ISL will draft a proposal.

- ♦ Presentation of networking budget will need to go through the LSTA Advisory Board and ISL Board.
- ♦ Items for next state budgeting cycle

Next Steps

ITTF will investigate Fretwell-Downing product and other similar products
ILA Exhibit and Presentation - Rand/Ann/Ruth/Kay
Rand will prepare flyers and handouts
Ann will contact the AG about deadbeat database.
Reciprocal Borrowing - review statistics, average cost of median library card is $67.50
Avg./family.
ISL will draft a process for replacing LiLI board members

Next Meeting

Avoid ALA-Midwinter 1/13-1/17/2001 and LSTA Advisory Board.
Find out when the ILA Legislative Breakfast will be held and schedule around it.